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Note verbale dated 15 February 2005 from the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1572 (2004) concerning Côte d'Ivoire and has the honour to transmit herewith the report prepared by Switzerland in accordance with paragraphs 7, 9, 11 and 15 of the resolution (see annex).

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Annex to the note verbale dated 15 February 2005 from the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

Report prepared by Switzerland in accordance with Security Council resolution 1572 (2004)

In its resolution 1572 (2004) of 15 November 2004, the Security Council requested all States to report to the Security Council Committee established by the resolution on the actions they have taken to implement the measures imposed by paragraphs 7, 9 and 11 of the resolution.

On 19 January 2005, the Swiss Federal Council (the Government) adopted an ordinance initiating measures against Côte d'Ivoire (hereinafter referred to as "the ordinance"). Through this ordinance, which entered into force on 20 January 2005, Switzerland is implementing resolution 1572 (2004).

Paragraph 7 of the resolution

Article 1 of the ordinance prohibits the "supply, sale or transfer to Côte d'Ivoire of military equipment of any kind, particularly military aircraft and other materiel". The same article further prohibits "the provision to Côte d'Ivoire of any assistance, advice or training related to military activities". Prior to the entry into force of the ordinance, the ban on supplying military equipment to Côte d'Ivoire, imposed by resolution 1572 (2004), was implemented through the Federal Law on War Materiel of 13 December 1996 and the Federal Law on the Control of Assets (LCB) of the same date, and by their respective implementing legislation. It should be noted that Switzerland has not exported any materiel to Côte d'Ivoire for the past two years.

Paragraphs 9 and 11 of the resolution

Article 2 of the ordinance provides for the freezing of assets and economic resources (and includes a ban on making assets or economic resources available to designated persons and entities), in accordance with paragraph 11 of resolution 1572 (2004). Article 4 of the ordinance bans entry into and transit through Switzerland in accordance with paragraph 9 of the resolution. The names of the persons and entities targeted by these measures will be included in the annex to the ordinance as soon as the Committee established by paragraph 14 of resolution 1572 (2004) issues a list of names.